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Dean Bigsbee Heads First Self-Study Plan

The first "self study" of the University in its ten year history has been planned, Earle Bigsbee, dean of the Junior College announced recently. This study will examine every thing from graduate school to maintenance.

Bigsbee, who heads the study committee, says this group will scrutinize the University's achievements in programing, facilities, and administration.

The University was established as a Junior College in 1927. The quick conversion to University status came after World War II.

Bigsbee explained that during the changeover period the Junior College officials had been forced to make snap decisions which they would have preferred to investigate more thoroughly. Now this can be done, he said.

He added that the cost of this evaluation, an 18 month job, is estimated at \$30,000.

Applications for a grant of this amount have been made to several national foundations. The study will begin when a grant is available.

A committee of six faculty members will administer the evaluation, but the actual task of critical appraisal will be University wide.

Senior Examinations Scheduled for April

The Graduate Record Examination will be given on April 8 and 10, in T-201 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. All seniors in the College of Arts and Science are required to take these examinations, with the exception of journalism majors.

Clarence D.L. Ropp, dean of the College of Arts and Science, announced that the University requires successful completion of these examinations for graduation.

Dr. Ralph Pickett has been named as "Chief Examiner."

College Enrollment Up

Admissions Office Plagued By Multiple Applications



Dorothy E. Bowen

"With the number of students seeking entrance to colleges and universities continually rising, the problems of the admissions officer have become increasingly complex and difficult," said Mrs. Dorothy E. Bowen, director of Admissions at the University.

The most serious problem that she is faced with is the growing trend among high school students to submit applications requesting admission to a great many schools.

To depict more clearly what problems multiple applications represents to the admissions officer, Mrs. Bowen set forth the official figures for the enrollment of the fall semester of 1957.

During the fall semester 1,600 students submitted applications to our University. Of these 1,600 approximately 960 received letters of acceptance. Of these 960 who were accepted, 273 eventually withdrew for various reasons—the most prominent being that they were accepted, and preferred enrolling at some other university.

"Due to this situation," she went on to say, "schools throughout the country are not getting a maximum enrollment. This is particularly unfortunate, she added, "especially in this area where there are not enough schools to meet the growing need, to have so much opportunity for education going to waste."

When queried as to what are the most important factors in determining admissions, Mrs. Brown answered that, "with few exceptions the high school record is considered most significant, followed by the University's entrance examination. The exceptions usually are veterans who had a poor high school record and then go on to do well on our entrance examination. In cases of that sort we overlook the high school record, giving preference to the entrance examination with the belief that they have matured sufficiently, and are completely serious in their desire to secure an education."

Seniors Get 'No-Finals' OK

Any graduating senior may be exempt from the final in any course in which his average is an "A" at the time of finals. The Faculty Senate has agreed to this Student Council proposal in essence.

One condition imposed upon this plan is that the student must have the consent of the instructor in whose course he wishes to have the exemption.

It was stressed by the Senate that it would be the student's responsibility to contact his instructor regarding a possible exemption.

At the same meeting it was suggested that the student present his request in writing and ask for written permission from the instructor.

Two year students graduating from the Junior College of Connecticut are not eligible for exemption since they are classified as graduating sophomores.

Jacoby Talks Likened to Horse Opera

by George Kolok

Much like the contrived plot of the old-time horse opera, the Jacoby Lectures up to now have labeled peace as the maiden in distress, the United Nations as the fair-haired hero, and Russia as the deep, dark villain.

At least this is what past speakers in the series—Dr. Ralph J. Bunche in 1952, Mrs. Eleanor

Roosevelt in 1953, Gen. Carlos P. Romulo in 1954, Gov. Harold E. Stassen in 1955, Paul G. Hoffman in 1956 and Gov. Abraham Ribicoff in 1957—have stressed. Neatly, they have narrowed it down to where peace or brotherhood is man's goal; the U.N. should be the instrument through which peace be maintained and preserved; and Communism, the ideology that "threatens" world peace, must be contained or tolerated.

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., chief U.S. delegate to the United Nations, is scheduled to deliver the seventh lecture on "the brotherhood of man" on March 12 in the Gym at 2 p. m.

Dr. Bunche, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1950 for his work as mediator in the Palestine dispute, never actually mentioned our villain in his text but referred to a great revolution throughout the world. This revolution can't be stopped or checked, he said, however, it can be made to understand the need for peace if its significance is well understood.

Dr. Bunche admitted, however, that the United States, the prime supporter of our fair-haired hero, has a similar problem of human relations. He was referring to racial prejudice and religious bigotry which foster disunity within the United States and damage

prestige abroad. Although the problem is less intense and less grave, it is unresolved, serious and costly.

Mrs. Roosevelt in 1953 took the view that our hero will do his man in sooner or later. Hopefully, but not very realistically, she said if we continue at our present pace, the villain will crack up.

Speaking on "Brotherhood and World Peace" in 1954, General Romulo, former president of the U.N. General Assembly, identified our fair-haired hero when he said the U.N. is the only instrument in the world today which can lead to the goals of brotherhood and peace.

Gov. Stassen, speaking on "Brotherhood and Partnership," who gave an optimistic view of progress toward world peace, wooed our maiden in distress with the help of the U.S.'s technical financial, and military cooperation.

According to the former disarmament advisor to the President, our villain holds that the majority of men are born with a status subordinate to the state. Ignoring all rights he recognizes only one duty - complete devotion to the man-created authority. He's totally atheistic too, and the existence of a divine creator is arrogantly denied, Stassen claimed. Mr. Hoffman, chairman of the

Student Ballot to Decide Date of Commencement

In a move to rectify what Pres. James H. Halsey termed an unfortunate situation, the Council of Deans has decided to refer the matter of selecting a date for commencement to the graduates themselves.

A student ballot, prepared by a special faculty-student committee, will be distributed to all June graduates that will give them an opportunity to choose any of three dates.

The student will be asked to mark in order of preference: Friday, June 6, 8 p.m.; Saturday, June 7, 3 p.m.; and Sunday, June 8, 3 p.m. A weighted scale will then be used to determine which of the three dates shall be officially designated for commencement exercises.

The original date of June 8 was changed to the previous Friday to allow President Halsey to receive an important award in another state an denable Vice-Pres. Henry Littlefield to leave for Europe the previous day.

However, the Friday date had been termed by a student petition as "constituting extreme hardships for parents and invited guests."

To allow the students to understand the advantages and disadvantages of each date, a description of each will accompany each ballot. If held on Friday, both

the President and Vice-President will be able to attend. On Saturday, President Halsey will be available but neither will be present on Sunday.

In addition, if the vote determines either Friday or Saturday for graduation, the revised calendar will be in effect as regards final examinations and commencement rehearsals. A Sunday date would mean that the original calendar would be adhered to.

The ballots may be obtained at the Records Office when filing application for graduation. The ballot must be signed and will be counted only if filed by March 15 and the graduation fee is paid.

Prof. Francis Dolan headed the special committee aided by faculty representatives William T. DeSiero, William Kennedy, and Helen Kallop along with student representatives, Vinny Caprio, Ed Chin, Vin Falcone and Mona Schwartz.

President Halsey summed up the situation by saying that "In making the original change in dates, the Council of Deans apparently did not accurately anticipate student reaction. In view of this error, they now feel that the fairest method of solution would be to leave the decision up to the students."

Knights Win in Thriller

Whoever it was that once said good things are worth waiting for must have had the UB basketball quintet in mind, for the Knights waited as long as they could, 23 games to be exact, before finally rewarding their loyal following who jammed the Brass Recreation Center Friday evening to witness their heroes upset favored Fairfield University, 76-72, in overtime.

With sophomore ace Bob Laemel setting a torrid pace, the Knights literally outfought and outlasted their perennial rivals to snap a five game losing streak and in some manner atone for an otherwise disappointing season.

Every contest between the two arch rivals, such as the Stags and the Knights, inevitably seeks to produce a hero, and this was no exception. Bob Laemel lived up to pre-season expectations Friday night as he dropped in 28 points to lead his team to their "sweetest" victory of the season. This is the same Bob Laemel that was held scoreless by Fairfield's Ed Diskowski the last time these two teams met. Diskowski

was not quite as effective Friday evening as Laemel proved unstoppable.

Laemel, voted the game's 'Most Valuable Player,' was nothing short of sensational as he repeatedly dazzled the capacity crowd with his remarkable shooting percentage. The sophomore sensation teamed up with another pretty fair soph, namely, Tony Granger, to account for 25 out of Bridgeport's halftime total of 38. The Knights led by one at intermission.

With the score knotted it was Laemel's two free throws that put UB out in front 68-66 with just thirty seconds remaining. However, the Stags refused to give up the ship and came back with the equalizer when Pat Kelly dropped in a corner jump shot with three seconds left to send the game into overtime.

According to the script they have been following all season long the Glinesmen should have run out of gas at this point, but to the amazement and joy of all concerned, they elected to deviate from the all too familiar pattern and came through in the clutch to gain the victory and end the campaign on a successful note.

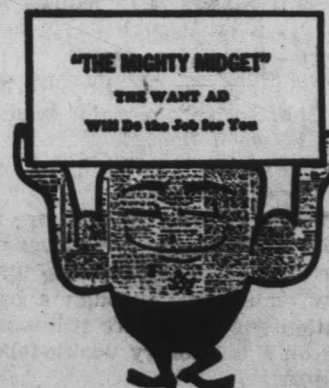
Granger, Wysocki, and Collelo all hit double figures in this spine tingler with 16, 14 and 12 points, respectively, while Whitcomb slipped in with six as he played his first complete game of the season.

Thus another UB basketball campaign, their eleventh under coach Herb Glines, comes to a conclusion. Although the overall picture was not as bright as was hoped for, the season did have its highlights. It also had its disappointments.

However, the future does look bright. Helleman will be the only key man not returning next season and with a year's experience behind them, this year's sophomore dominated squad could prove to be very troublesome to the opposition next season.



Henry Cabot Lodge



Goodbye, Rah-Rah!

In November of 1931, when most of us were still in rompers

and the rest of us were, as the existentialists would say, not yet into the anguish, a young fellow named F. Scott Fitzgerald was writing the epilogue of the "Roaring Twenties" in an essay called "Echoes of the Jazz Age" that appeared in the then popular Scribner's Magazine.

It is a nostalgic piece of writing that comes off in the same manner as one would expect a faded debutante would talk about a long passed cotillion. Most intelligent people kissed the old days goodbye and let it go at that. The fun filled days were over, bath tub gin, the flapper and the racey Stutz-Bearcat were relegated to the fond memories of the bleary-eyed hedonists.

But ideas and all their trappings don't die easily. A cursory view of history shows us that the masses were twenty-years behind the leaders of social thought. The common man seems to have spent his lifetime trading in used idea lots.

Coupled with the Fitzgerald piece of 1931, we have an article that appeared in Life magazine recently which traced the fall of the college football hero as the shining light of American youth. Mixing the two ideas together gives us fairly conclusive evidence that we are living in a new era of social thinking concerning the college student and his approach to life.

Most of us should have known it years ago, but even the retarded thinkers among us can not deny that rah-rah is dead and buried.

With these things in mind it is easy to understand why we grit our teeth in disgust when we hear local intellectuals lament the "poor show of student spirit" on our campus. We realize that most of them were too young to be invited to the funeral, but we were sure that they had seen the death notices along the way.

School spirit, or at least the type demanded by the people on campus, died with Mister Fitzgerald's "Jazz Age" and to keep demanding that people exhibit it is much like asking the dead to get up and walk.

In the "good old days" the student was enmeshed in the social and intellectual life of his campus. Not a dry eye was evident when the band played the alma mater. A note of sadness plucked in every coed's heart after the last prom. Why, leaving the ivy covered walls on graduation day was akin to cutting the umbilical cord. All good students came to make merry in the warm bosom of Mother College.

This idiotic approach to life died an early death because it was false and contrived. The student of the "Twenties" was a confused buffoon who misinterpreted erratic behavior for individuality. His cheer at the football game and tears at graduation were as hollow and unrealistic as his approach to life.

His so called "spirit" then was a protective mechanism against his common fears.

The present day student is by nature an anti-spirit man. To demand his avid interest in the University, and more especially its social program, is nothing more than a lament for that simpering dolt who found it necessary to whoop it up for the home team because he could identify with it.

The present day student is interested in one thing. He wants his education fast. He then wants to take that education and trade it for the security and institutionalized job. This is, to be sure, not a commendable objective. But we must admit that it is more objective than a mode of behavior that would turn him into a genuflecting serf before an ivy covered Buddha.

We can not manufacture spirit, and the spirit-boomers might as well face that fact right now.

But all is not black. It would appear that our present day student lacking guts was no better than the 1920 edition with all his phony sentiment. However, we must realize that the modern student has come a long way. He has sorted out much of the falseness and eventually he will be able to put the security idea into a proper perspective.

With the sudden push for better education in this country we might expect to see the remaining rah-rah activities swept away. Perhaps there will come a time when ping-pong tables, dance lessons, and all the other "spirit" building techniques will become outmoded as that Stutz-Bearcat. But come what may, we do know that the death knoll of Rah-Rah spirit has been ringing for many a year. Some of us are just hard of hearing.

Maintenance Gets Radio Cars

"This is KD 5742 calling car 35. Come in please."
"Car 35—go ahead."
"You are needed immediately at Chaffee Hall; elevator is stopped between floors."
"I'm on my way."
"Roger and out."

All such emergency calls are relayed immediately to receivers in one of four present mobile units now on campus through a base station. Some cars are still working on a temporary walkie-talkie system.

Part of the equipment was

donated by Elmer Maher, who also engineered the calling system. Maher believes this is one of the first installations of its kind in New England. The station has a five mile range, he said.

New call numbers for the cars (32, 35, etc.) were devised by using the last two numbers of the license plate of the vehicles.

The base station is operated by Rita Juliano, secretary to William Nowlan, maintenance

head.

Vox Populi —

Wistarian Co-Editor

Provoked at Scribe

For the past two semesters I have quietly sat back reading the articles written by our talented school newspaper staff. Many of these articles I have felt were unnecessarily worded to slander our school administration; other articles I believe were written with discretion, bearing in mind the incident in question, but generally I feel that the SCRIBE has been a credit to its profession.

The SCRIBE, along with 20 other school organizations, was scheduled to take group pictures for the WISTARIAN. When the members of this organization failed to meet this appointment, I phoned the SCRIBE office. After a few words with Brian O'Gorman, in an attempt to straighten-out the matter, Professor Jacobson came to the phone. He informed me that the Scribe did not care to have a group picture (Brian has previously told me that only an executive picture was desired) and that if I didn't want to do it his way there was nothing he could do. Well, the WISTARIAN is going to do it their way or not at all. It is our desire to include all active organizations in this year's publication, but not under the direction of the SCRIBE, the faculty, or anyone else.

For an organization who writes so vigorously concerning schedules, it seems to me that they might at least provide us with a good example. Professor Jacobson accused me of holding an axe over his head and he is right. It has been decided by the WISTARIAN staff that organizations who cannot comply with our requests,

for group pictures will not be included in the WISTARIAN. But it is not our desire to leave the SCRIBE out of the yearbook, and I hope arrangements can be made for the SCRIBE staff to get together for a group picture.

Charles S. Huestis

(We would not for the world think of interfering with the Wistarian editorial policy, but let Mr. Huestis, practice what he preaches and not interfere with the Scribe Advisory Board policy about publicity pictures, which Mr. Huestis neglected to clarify. The board long ago decided that group pictures of the type found in the Wistarian were of little value in telling the story of the Scribe. We suggested an alternative, which was immediately rejected without consideration. As for his remarks about schedules, and our lack of desire to co-operate, this is strictly hogwash. Come around and talk to us again, Mr. Huestis, when you have something less trite to offer us for a Wistarian presentation. —Scribe Advisory Board).

Dear Scribe Members & Student Body of the University:

The parents and friends of Mentally Retarded Children wish to thank you most sincerely for your fund raising efforts in our behalf.

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Our continued well wishes and support will enable us to meet the needs of the retarded in the Community to a greater extent than has previously been possible. Stanley Swanson, Pres.

New Campus Hero Seen

Yesterday's campus hero has been turned in for a new model, namely, a science major, with muscle, as America turns its focus from the Rose Bowl to outer space.

Ever since Russia launched the first satellite, college students have been bombasted with promises of the gravy boat if they develop their skills in the fields of mathematics, engineering, chemistry and physics.

The future scientist is the better paid and more highly sought and the football star of yesterday is definitely losing his foothold, according to Walter Kondratovich, head football coach. The first stringer of today must also show scholastic skill as well as physical prowess, he said.

The way it used to be—fall football, a crowded, screaming bowl, racoon coats and campus colors—has been dimmed. But Kondratovich thinks that football will again reign in the near future.

"It's a trend now," states Kondratovich, "because of the monetary reward." He warned about

this kind of specialization. "People should get a general training in science, but they should obtain an ample education and recreation as well. Everyone should enjoy life and derive the most from it." Kondratovich raised two questions: "Has there been an emphasis on science in all school systems? Are we pushing science for competitive means or for the good of humanity?"

Louis Saccone, freshman football coach, said that "the trend definitely is toward science, but scientists can be football players as well.

Saccone felt that theories in football and science are the same as in war. "You can win in football; you can win in war." "Science," he stated, "could be built up through public relations."

Willard Berggren, dean of the College of Engineering states there will be a change in the next five years. It will be a long term trend, but less emphasis will be placed on sports. There will be more emphasis on the scholastic phase of college. Publicity has induced the student to think thoroughly of the future, he said.

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Parking Plan Goes to Council

University students moved nearer to relief for their all-night parking problem this week. Bridgeport's Common Council Ordinance committee is examining a proposed ordinance that would permit all-night parking on most city streets.

Students living in the campus area will be restricted in parking from 1 to 6 a. m. on Park Ave., and on the west side of Myrtle Ave. only. All other streets will have an alternate parking system.

Also being studied by the committee is an ordinance proposal that would give police the authority to have vehicles towed away and impounded when they are parked illegally in designated restricted zones or when they block driveways.

Both these proposals were submitted to the Council at its City Hall meeting recently, by Alderman Louis I. Gladstone, Council president. Mayor Samuel Tedesco referred them to the committee. In general, the proposed or-

dinance easing the present ban on all-night parking, in effect over 25 years, would permit use of only one side of street at a time, with the sides alternating from night to night.

As a result of police recommendations, the proposed ordinance names 71 streets, many of them main arteries such as Main Street, Park Avenue and North Avenue, on which no parking would be permitted from 1 to 6 a. m. and 26 other streets on which parking is restricted to one side only, with no alternating during these hours.

Under these plans, the mayor has been given the power to suspend operation of the ordinance by proclaiming that an emergency exists.

The towaway ordinance gives police the power to have illegally parked vehicles towed away from any towaway zones established by the Board of Police Commissioners and marked by signs or where the vehicles blocked driveways.

The vehicles would be towed to public storage garages or other places designated as "motor vehicle pounds."

The owner or person claiming the vehicle would have to pay a \$3 fee to the police and a towing charge not exceeding \$5 plus a storage charge not exceeding \$1 a day before he could repossess it.

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by Vinny Caprio

Pledges, Pledges, Pledges! This week has seen the greatest concentration of aspirants in many a moon. If after this week anyone is still thinking of a universal pledge week, please reconsider.



Since there isn't a column dedicated to the Greek organizations, we dedicate this week's column to these pledges.

Chi Zeta Rho: Betty Pike, Joyce Aschenfarb, Carol Curry, Barbara Golde, Carol Herelick, Marion Prell, Brenda Freeman, Dot Capuro, Jean Franchino, Barbara Sanislo, Penny Hedges, Mollietta De Pompa and Lenore Benza.

Theta Epsilon: Lyn Bowen, Faith Allenby, Karen Smith, Donna Long, Barbara Prawdzik, Dolores Hutchko, Sandy Garofalo, Brenda Gaffney, Judy L'Antigua, Claire Bates, Sandy Fish, Donna Hoffman, Rosemary Tancredi, Sandy McLellan, Joan Flynn and Loretta Steinman.

Beta Gamma: Marilyn Krall, Sue Chandler, Rosemary Sweeney and Arlyn Almandinger.

Phi Delta Rho: Harriet Schultz, Carole Robinson, Carole Laxer, Carole Sax, Iris Lipsins, Joan Kaplan, Renal Baloag, Ellen Grassman, Lois Metropole, Joy Liebowitz and Brenda Krandell.

Theta Sigma's Tux and Cane Men: Charles Huestis, Fred B. Reichert, Andre Gilbert, Dick Wright, Dave Skstrom, Lou Hoyda and Bill Hurliekey.

Ann Sullivan's latest escapade has given rise to a new name for Cooper Hall's favorite. Is she really a happy kangaroo? Or has Stan Roman gotten his wires crossed?

Charming Grace Chanovitt has seen fit to leave these hollow halls of ivory on weekends lately. The special attraction in New York City couldn't be of the male gender, could it Grace?

SPA presents the 11th Cotton Ball Capers at Lenny's Friday evening. Prexy Ray tells us the brothers have spared no expense in acquiring one of the finest break-time shows to be seen by UB students. Music will be provided in a frantic manner by Harvey Nevin and his mad herd.

The lovidovy antics of Rhoda Salz and Jerry Bogen have led to speculations on the part of intimates. The girls on the second floor of Cooper think wedding bells will toll soon if this action keeps up.

Now hear this! Word has it that the girls in Cooper Hall are tired of the firecrackers. "So will the vandals in Marina kindly blow themselves up."

It isn't often that a blessed event occurs on this campus, so the obstetrical talents of one Ed Clary should not go unnoticed.

Our hero, Jack, handily delivered a brew of six. The proud mother was Susie, Alumni Hall's mascot.

Kappa Beta Rho has announced the election of new officers for the new fiscal year. Congratulations President Charlie Swain,

Veep Jim Cassel, Treasurer Don Couley, and Scribe Jack Ryan. Bob Hicks and Don Gappo have once again turned informers. They report the pinning of KBR brother Jack Ryan and Maureen Hilary. She's with American Can Company. SO LONG D. E. T.

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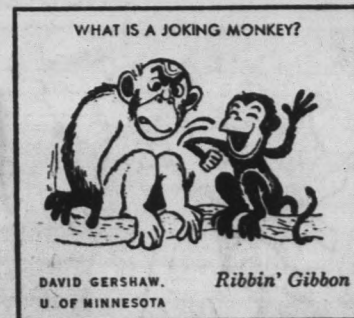
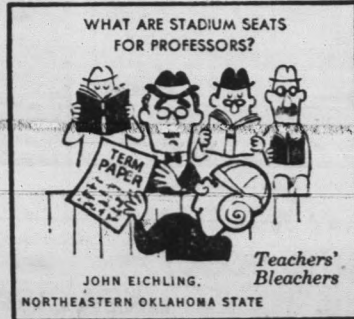
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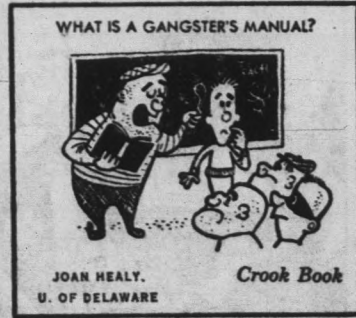
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